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LOCAL

Mr. and Mrs. A. U. Craven are visiting in Chicago this week.

Supervisor of the Census, S. O. Kenyon is in Chicago on business this week.

If you have intricate financial problems to solve, consult Madame Ozma, recently returned from the Orient, who has the ability to read your future for you.

A letter from Mrs. A. M. DeVall of Kalamazoo states that her husband is in very poor health which has necessitated the sale of his business on Lincoln Avenue.

On Thursday afternoon of this week, Rev. Olivia Woodman delivered a lecture to the ladies of the Twentieth Century club of Kalamazoo. "Women in Industry" was the subject of her address.

Among those from this vicinity in attendance on the Fat Stock show in Chicago this week are, T. B. Woodman, wife and son; John Woodman, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Morrison and Mr. and Mrs. George Murch.

George D. Aspinwall of Olympia, Washington and Mrs. Cornelia Sterneman of Bangor were united in marriage at Paw Paw on Wednesday, November 26th. Rev. Arthur Trott was the officiating clergyman.

Mr. and Mrs. Phineas Cole have returned from their deer hunting trip and report a delightful time. Their full quota of deer was obtained. All the hunters have now reached home, and so far as known, no one has returned empty handed.

Homer Smith's aspirations along pugilistic championship lines received a serious setback on Thanksgiving day, when the Old Timer, Frank Moran put him to dreamland in the third round of a scheduled ten round bout. Homer had all the best of the second round, but in his eagerness to finish his man in the third, left a fatal opening for the crafty Moran.

On Thanksgiving day, Elmer W. Shively, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Shively of Laurel, Nebraska, was united in marriage with Miss Gladys Voter, daughter of a prominent lawyer of the same place. The happy couple left the next morning for Paw Paw and are visiting at the home of his aunt, Mrs. E. E. Cornell and family.

Rev. H. H. Anderson, the new pastor of the Christian Church has arrived here and taken up his work in the church. He is a graduate of Bethany College, West Virginia and comes here from Traverse City where he has been engaged in business for the past two years. His family will join him here as soon as a suitable home can be provided.

The Harvesters Concert Company gave an entertainment in Hartford on the evening of Wednesday, November 26th. On the following morning Thanksgiving day, two members of the company, Wilbur McCurdy Beatty and Miss Wilma Florence Thomas drove over to Paw Paw and were married. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Arthur Trott. The bride is the daughter of Judge Thomas of Constantine.

United in marriage in their home, and attended by the children of the groom, is an event seldom experienced. On Thanksgiving eve in the presence of a few friends, Miss Kathy Call of Lima, Ohio became the bride of Edward DeHaven of Paw Paw. The bride and groom were attired in navy blue and the ceremony was performed by Rev. Arthur Trott of the M. E. Church here. The son and daughter of Mr. DeHaven attended the happy couple.

Mr. John W. Free is making a generous contribution to the Children's department of the New Library as a memorial to his wife. Mrs. Free's memory will always be cherished in association with her love for the best in everything. In her home was always to be found the late publications, and in all her varied interests she was always in touch with the world through her reading. The object of the library is to place the best within the reach of all readers and this gift in her memory seems in a measure, a realization of her ideals.

L. B. Gorton was in Chicago on business the first of the week.

Mrs. R. E. Quick spent Thanksgiving and the Week End with relatives in Kalamazoo.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Markillie have gone to Gobleville to spend the winter with Mrs. Markillie's father.

Donley, the youngest of the Peacock family who used to live here is a Freshman at St. Paul, Minnesota.

The ladies of the Coterie are planning another one of their famous dinners to be served at the Coterie Club rooms, December 13th.

The L. O. T. M. will hold their regular meeting Monday, December 8th, and will initiate a class on December 12th. Pot-luck supper at 6:30.

There will be services at St. Mark's church on Monday evening, December 8th, at 7:30 o'clock. Rev. James H. Bishop of Dowagiac will be in charge.

A Fischer dancing party is announced for the Opera House on Tuesday evening, December 23rd. This will be one of the big parties of the year.

Fred Breslein, who bought the C. E. Reidel place on the east shore of Maple Lake has traded it for the George Cumins place in Waverly and both families have moved.

Mrs. Zilphia Ferguson who underwent an operation at Borgess hospital Kalamazoo last week is improving every day and her many friends hope she may soon be at home again.

Acting Scout Master, E. E. Shouffer announces a business meeting of the Scouts at their meeting place on Saturday evening of this week. A full attendance of the members is desired.

Charles Stevens has gone back to his trade. Until a suitable building can be secured, he will have a bench in the Clapp store. He is prepared to take care of his customers in all watch and clock repairing.

Edwin Reeves of the Idle Hour Theatre was in Detroit the first of this week booking many new features for his theatre here and at Lawton. He has some especially attractive features to be announced in the near future.

Regular convocation of Paw Paw Chapter No. 34 R. A. M. next Monday evening, December 8th. This is the annual convocation for election of officers, which will be followed by work in the M. M. M. degree. A full attendance is desired.

Paw Paw experienced the first blizzard of the year last Saturday and Sunday. The ground is still covered with snow, and the mercury hovers around zero nearly every night. Local hunters are taking advantage of the snow to hunt the rabbits that are plentiful in this vicinity. Many large bags have been reported.

At the annual communication of Paw Paw Lodge No. 25 F. and A. M. last Tuesday evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year. Wm. C. Mosier, W. M.; Lloyd Held, S. W.; Carl Buskirk, J. W.; Roy L. Tuttle, S. D.; Frank Shaefer, J. D.; Wm. Killefer, Sec.; E. F. Parks, Treas. The above officers will be installed on Saturday evening, December 27th.

Married at the M. E. Parsonage Lawton last Friday noon, Charles E. Danner and Mrs. Ilah Wickett McWilliams, both of Decatur. Rev. Wm. A. Taylor was the officiating clergyman. The bride is the daughter of H. D. Wickett and is one of Decatur's accomplished ladies well known in social circles. The groom is associated with Myron Hinkley in the publication of the Decatur Republican having charge of the printing department and is one of the popular young business men of that village.

Miss Marion Boess became the bride of Mr. Cecil Haworth on Thanksgiving day. The service was read by Rev. Percy Nickless at the home of the bride's mother on North Kalamazoo street. Only the immediate families of the contracting parties were present. After a four course dinner, the happy couple left for their new home which was ready and waiting on the Boess farm east of town. The contracting parties are among the highly esteemed and respected young people of this village and a host of admiring friends join in felicitations and best wishes.

Lieut. Earl Hawkins of Camp Dodge Iowa is the guest of Attorney Earl L. Burhans and family.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Maxam are the happy parents of a fine baby girl, Evelyn Nathalie, born November 11.

Remember "Tillie's Punctured Romance" at the Idle Hour next Monday night. This is one of the big ones.

Advertised Letters:—Ralph Allen, Mrs. Edna Carpenter, Willard Lovell, Mrs. Minnie Weed, Paul Bower, Mrs. Elizabeth Fox, Grover Holser.

Mrs. Leonie Barton has closed her Paw Paw home and will spend the winter with her children. She is at the home of H. B. Buck in Kalamazoo for the present.

A. B. Castle has secured the Van Buren county agency for the New Reo Six Automobile. His announcement is contained in the advertising columns of this week's issue of The True Northerner.

Thirty-two members of the Warner family dined at the home of Mrs. Jennie Warner on Thanksgiving day. The out of town members of the family were W. F. Warner and wife, J. W. Warner, wife and daughter, all of Grand Rapids.

That great feature, "The Eyes of the World" comes again to the Idle Hour on Friday of this week. It will be shown both afternoon and evening. It will be shown in Lawton next Saturday and Sunday. Advertising space in this issue gives the details.

Liberal advertising space in this issue, gives the details of "The New Movement Enlistment Week," at the Baptist Church, Paw Paw, for the week beginning December 7th. The announcement contains an interesting program for the entire week. Don't overlook it.

The First National Bank officials take considerable pride in the quarterly Bank Statement contained in the columns of this issue. The financial resources of this institution have now reached a point where it will henceforth be known as "A Million Dollar Bank."

A card from John H. Sirrine, dated from Los Angeles, California, November 22nd, states that "R. O. Thayer passed away suddenly, 9:30 A. M. November 21st." Deceased was a former resident of Paw Paw and a brother of the late Wm. Thayer. He had passed the four score and ten mark.

Rev. and Mrs. I. P. Bates celebrated the 55th anniversary of their marriage last Monday, December 1st. The family consists now of three children, eleven grand children, and seven great grand children, besides the sons-in-law. Of the grand children, six are high school graduates, five of them from Paw Paw, and another a junior. Three of the graduates are now in college. Mr. and Mrs. Bates are now 84 and 85 years of age respectively, are still hale and hearty and the host of friends sincerely hope that this venerable couple may enjoy many more happy wedding anniversaries.

The Grand Jury that has been investigating the Newberry Senatorial expenditures, finished its labors last Saturday, and the fact that something like 135, including Senator Newberry himself, were indicted caused something of a sensation throughout the state. The names of all the indicted men have not yet been disclosed, but those already summoned include the most prominent men in the state from all walks of life. The basis on which the indictments were brought was the alleged use of money in the campaign in violation of the Federal statute. The only Van Buren man named thus far is ex-sheriff Gladstone Beattie, whose name was included in the first ten given out. It is said that the list will include several other men in this county, but no one seems to know just who it will be. Senator Newberry is providing bonds and legal service for all those who desire it. In a statement issued Wednesday, the Senator promises some sensational developments in his defense, and a hard fought legal battle is in prospect. Every one should remember in this connection that an indictment is not necessarily evidence of guilt, and that all censure and criticism of every indicted man should be withheld until they have had their day in court.

Will Neale and family have gone to Kalamazoo to spend the winter.

True Glidden has started a lunch counter in the W. E. Nichols United Cigar Store.

Mrs. Will Whitford of Grand Rapids is visiting relatives and friends in Paw Paw.

A solution of the problem "What shall I give" will be found at the Coterie Bazaar & Benefit Shop, December 13th.

Mrs. Alice Butler left on Thursday of this week for Los Angeles, California where she will spend the winter with relatives.

Lucy DuBois has returned to her home here after spending four weeks with her children in Battle Creek and Marshall.

There will be work in the "Patriarch Degree" in Paw Paw Encampment I. O. O. F. on Wednesday evening, December 10th.

The interest of Earle Walker in the firm of Soule and Walker has been sold to Bert Sheibley, who took possession last Monday.

Lyle Cramer, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kline, their two daughters and son, motored to Mishawaka, Indiana last Friday where they spent the week end with Mrs. Kline's cousins.

Charley Hoskins has an announcement in the classified column this week that should be of interest to those wanting fence and grape posts. Charley's friends know that he is always able to "Deliver the Goods."

Wm. E. Cutler and Henry Snyder have returned from their trip to Virginia and report a fine time. They visited Mr. Cutler's niece, Mrs. Ruth Murray at Clayville, Virginia and expect to move their families to Virginia in the near future.

Church of Christ folks enjoyed a pleasant evening at the Church Wednesday evening. The occasion was a Chicken Pie supper with a literary and musical program. The losers in a recent membership contest were the hosts.

The officials of the Church of Christ met Tuesday evening to transact important unfinished business. A definite program for the coming year was outlined. The annual meeting will be held Wednesday evening, December 31st, at which time the new pastor, Rev. H. H. Anderson will be installed in office.

The True Northerner advertises two auctions this week. One for Fred Gay, five miles north and 1 1/2 miles West of Paw Paw on Tuesday, December 9th, and one for the Wolverine Co-operative company on Saturday, December 13th. The first is a general sale and the latter the sale of the building owned and formerly occupied by the Wolverine co-operative company.

Paw Paw and vicinity received considerable notoriety in the Metropolitan press recently by reason of the fact that what is supposed to have been a huge meteor passed over this locality Wednesday evening of last week. A bright flash which made the heavens as bright as day for an instant, was followed by a rumbling sound which shook the buildings and rattled the windows and doors. Prof. W. H. Hobbs, head of the Geological department of the U. of M. was here on Saturday to get what information he could in regard to it. He is satisfied from the investigations made from the Indiana line across South Western Michigan that the meteor passed south of Paw Paw village to the North West, and is of the opinion that it exploded and fell to earth in fragments somewhere to the north and possibly quite near Hartford and Lawrence. The sounds heard here and to the south and east of this place was a rumbling sound like thunder, while at Lawrence and Hartford, sharp reports followed the rumbling. Prof. Hobbs states that without a doubt, these sharp reports came from the exploding body. He has been successful in locating one fallen meteor, which is now on display in the Museum at the Wisconsin University, and plans to return here on Saturday of this week for further investigation. He hopes to locate at least some fragments of this one, and will give a reward of \$50.00 to anyone locating the meteor or a piece of it.

Paul Broughton of Lansing spent the week end among relatives and friends here.

Alford Douglas has gone to South Bend to take a business course in the college there.

Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Dillie are leaving this week for Chicago where they will spend the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Buffington left on Thursday for St. Cloud Florida to spend the winter.

G. W. Sherman has returned from an extended western trip and is again on duty at the Dyckman hotel.

A large company enjoyed the Mrs. Higgs Dancing party at the Maple City Club rooms last Friday evening.

M. H. Young and family spent Thanksgiving day in South Haven the guests of his brother, Dr. G. F. Young.

Horace McDonald and family of Grand Rapids came to spend Thanks giving with her mother, Mrs. Elvira Morrison.

"Tillie's Punctured Romance" comes to the Idle Hour theatre next Monday evening, and "Mickey" is on the way.

Doctor and Mrs. J. E. Gilkey rejoice over the advent of a fine baby daughter, who came to grace their home last Sunday.

There was a happy Thanksgiving day at the Blaine Warner home this year. The guest of honor was a fine baby boy who arrived on Thanksgiving Eve.

Charles Hotrum had the misfortune to lose a fine pair of mules last week Wednesday. He is working for the county in road construction, and the mules were used in loading gravel near the Jennings crossing. They were working between the K. L. S. & C. Tracks and a high embankment. His son who was handling the team did not notice the approach of the train in time to get the animals away, and he engine hit them, mangling both animals so badly, they had to be killed. The boy in his efforts to get the team out of danger was quite badly bruised.

The executive committee of the Van Buren County Farm Bureau sent out the following message to the farmers of the county in connection with the Drive for membership which begins in this county next Monday, December 8:—"Will the Farmer Strike? This is the question that is on the lips of many we meet. The farmer is the only member of our industrial organization who has not yet struck and materially the public as well as the farmers themselves are wondering if he will follow the tactics used by others. Striking seems to be the popular fad of the day. Organized labor is not the only group that has used this means of obtaining their demands. Manufacturers commonly refuse to put out their product without a certain profit. This profit is agreed upon between them. Is that not striking? Every day farmers are leaving their farms, moving to town or to the city, to work for the attractive wages offered, because their business is not profitable. They are not able to pay the wages paid in the city, and in many cases farm owners are following their hired men to town. There are good people who profess to think that the farmer is particularly favored financially today but this one fact is sufficient answer to that thought. If he had such a good thing he would not leave it. The farmers of Michigan and of the United States are uniting today in an organization for their benefit. This is an organization for business, nothing social or fraternal about it, whose purpose is to promote the interest of agriculture in every legitimate way. That is the Farm Bureau, County, State and National. One declaration of this organization is that not a pound of produce should leave an American farm that does not return its cost of production plus a reasonable profit. Is there anything unfair about that? The way the farmers are getting behind the movement indicates that they will have the strength to demand and obtain cost of production and reasonable profit without a strike. For when the American people have presented to them a case in which such simple justice is all that is asked, it will not be necessary for organized farmers to use the strike method."

The Hartford Day Spring of last week states that Muskrats are abundant along the river and inland lakes in that vicinity, and that hundreds of them have already yielded their pelts to be sold at record prices. Muskrats are also abundant in the vicinity of Paw Paw, and several trappers have already been attracted by the record prices of the pelts, but they have come to grief. Deputy Game Warden, Fred Showerman within the past week has confiscated thirty-five Muskrat pelts the value of which is \$80.00, and collected the sum of \$30.90 in fine and costs from two "Premature Trappers." The state law protects the muskrats of Michigan until December 16th.

What may prove to be one of the most uncanny and sensational tragedies ever enacted in the state of Michigan was uncovered in the village of Lawton last Sunday, when the shrivelled remains of what was supposed to have been Maude Tabor were discovered in an old trunk buried in the basement of the Tabor home in that village. The inquest occupied the first three days of this week, when it was adjourned until Wednesday, December 10th, to permit Dr. Warthin, the celebrated pathologist from the U. of M. who dissected the body to complete his examination and make a report. A small army of reporters have been in attendance and the shocking details of the discovery and the many angles of the mystery have been reviewed in detail on the front page of all the metropolitan dailies and are already familiar to every reader. Briefly, the facts so far established are as follows:—Maude Tabor was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester A. Tabor of Lawton. The father died some six or seven years ago, leaving a widow and three children, Maude, Florence and Walter. An estate approximating \$75,000 was left the family. This property evidently was a bone of contention in the family after the father's death, and at one time the records show, the daughter Florence made application to have the mother adjudged insane, and committed to the asylum. These proceedings were eventually dropped, but through it all Maude, it is said was loyal to her mother. This accounts for the fact that at that time, the property which was all in the mothers name was transferred to Maude. The property now however is all again in Mrs. Sarah Tabor's name, and therein possibly lies the crime of forgery. The records of the Register of Deeds office shows that there was an assignment of mortgage from Maude Tabor to Sarah Tabor executed October 14th, 1916. This assignment is alleged to be a forgery, for the reason that the evidence tends to show that Maude Tabor met her death in May or June of that year. Then again a deed of real estate recorded shows that the property was deeded from Sarah Tabor to Maude Tabor on September 5, 1911, probably at the time of insanity proceedings in Probate Court. The property was reconveyed from Maude Tabor to Sarah on June 12th, 1915, but was not recorded until June 2nd, 1916. This deed is also alleged by the officials to have been a forgery. Maude Tabor was a graduate of the U. of M. and a teacher of prominence during the latter years of her life. She disappeared from Lawton in May of 1916, and was reported by the family at that time to have died on a ranch in Colorado. An examination of the body found in the Tabor cellar showed that the victim was about to become a mother, or possibly had become a mother just prior to her death. In this connection, the officers located on Monday a former sweetheart, one Joseph Virgo residing at one time in Matawan and Kalamazoo. Virgo admitted from the start his friendship for her girl, but denied any intimacy with her at the time. On Wednesday however, he confessed under persistent questioning, intimacy with her in the month of August 1915; that he knew of her condition and that the mother of the girl had implored him to help her out of the trouble. He denied however, most emphatically that he had done so. In the opinion of the officials and experts the condition of the body indicated an embalming at the time of death. Virgo was an expert embalmer, and if the examination by the Pathologist establishes the fact that it was actually embalmed

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